

ABSTRACT OF THE INVENTION

1 in a computer system having a memory, a processor, and a
2 network interface, a method for dynamically launching a
3 conferencing application upon the receipt of an incoming call
4 having the steps of: receiving an incoming call signal on the
5 network interface; processing the incoming call signal to detect
6 an intended recipient application; and launching the intended
7 recipient application.

8 An apparatus for dynamically launching a conferencing
9 application upon the receipt of an incoming call having a call
10 directing module; a process manager coupled to the call directing
11 module; and, a conferencing component coupled to the network
12 interface; and the call directing module; the conferencing
13 component containing a circuit for notifying the call directing
14 module upon receipt of an incoming call and causing the call
15 director to signal the process manager to activate a conferencing
16 application.